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SUBJECT: SPRING WAGE NEGOTIATIONS: PRIVATE RAILWAY WORKERS SETTLE FOR APPROXIMATELY 6 INCREASE

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1. PRIVATE RAILWAY WORKERS (SHITETSU SOREN), WHICH HELD ONE DAY STRIKE APRIL 23 AND JOINED NATIONAL RAILWAY UNION (KOKURO) AND OTHER MUNICIPAL TRANSPORT UNIONS IN LAUNCHING NATIONWIDE TRANSPORTATION STRIKE SHUTTING DOWN VIRTUALLY ALL RAIL, SUBWAY AND BUS SERVICES MORNING APRIL 25, CALLED OFF STRIKE AFTERNOON APRIL 25 AFTER ACCEPTING MANAGEMENT'S LATEST OFFER OF AVERAGE 5.5 OR 8,800 YEN ($39) MONTHLY WAGE INCREASE. OVERALL, PRIVATE RAILWAY WORKERS OBTAINED 6.82 OR 10,900 YEN (INCLUDING ANNUAL BONUS NEGOTIATED AT SAME TIME), AND THEREBY SET PATTERN FOR THIS YEAR'S WAGE BOOST FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AS WELL AS PUBLIC CORPORATION WORKERS. THEREFORE, WHILE KOKURO AND OTHER PUBLIC ENTERPRISE UNIONS, WITH CONSPICUOUS EXCEPTION OF POSTAL WORKERS (ZENTEI), CONTINUING THEIR ILLEGAL WALKOUTS, THEY ARE EXPECTED TO AGREE TO COMPULSORY ARBITRATION BY PUBLIC ENTERPRISE
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LABOR RELATIONS COMMISSION AND TO RETURN TO WORK BY TOMORROW EVENING.
2. POSTAL WORKERS CALLED OFF PARTICIPATION IN "GENERAL STRIKE" AFTER POSTAL AUTHORITIES INDICATED THEY WOULD STRICTLY ENFORCE LAST YEAR'S SUPREME COURT DECISION UPHOLDING CONSTITUTIONALITY OF INVOKING CRIMINAL PENALTIES AGAINST ORGANIZERS OF ILLEGAL STRIKES IN PUBLIC SECTOR.

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GOJ HAS THUS SUCCEEDED IN BREAKING, FOR FIRST TIME, UNITY
OF SOHYO-AFFILIATED PUBLIC CORPORATION UNIONS WHICH HERE-
TOFORE HAVE PRESENTED SOLID FRONT IN ORDERING ILLEGAL
WALKOUTS DURING ANNUAL SPRING WAGE NEGOTIATIONS.
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